का पर्सपेक्टिव बहुत बड़ा है और बड़ा होने की वजह से इस देश के लिए सिविल न्यूक्लियर पावर की जरूरत है। जब भारतीय जनता पार्टी के लोग सत्ता में थे, यह प्रोसेस तभी से शुरू हो गया था। मनमोहन सिंह जी की सरकार के आने के बाद इसे और बढ़ावा मिला और अब यह एग्रीमेंट फाइनल स्टेज पर पहुंच चुका है और अब इसमें कोई दिक्कत नहीं है। यह देश के लिए जरूरी है।

Report of National Commission for Scheduled Castes

*242. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Commission for Scheduled Castes has submitted its report to Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the recommendations of the report?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) to (c) The National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC) has submitted 1st Annual Report for the year 2004-05 and its First Special Report for the period 01.04.2006 to 30.09.2006.

Annual Reports for the years 2005-06 and 2006-07 are still to be submitted.

MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Sir, *in her reply, the Minister has said that the National Commission* for Scheduled Castes has submitted 1st Annual Report for the year 2004-05 and its First Special Report for the period 01.04.2006 to 30.09.2006.

Sir, my first supplementary is whether these reports have highlighted the increased number of atrocities on Scheduled Caste people in different parts of the country and whether these reports have given any relief to those deprived people. I also want to know the time-limit within which the action will be taken on it.

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Sir, I deeply appreciate the concern of the hon. Member regarding the atrocities on SC/ST. So far as this report, submitted by the National Commission for Scheduled Castes, is concerned, Sir, after we receive the report, there is a constitutional provision that we circulate it to the various Ministries and Departments to take action on it. So, we have circulated this report to all the Ministries and Departments to take actions on the recommendations of the report, and after we have received the Action Taken Report from them then we will prepare the Action Taken Memorandum and lay it on the Table of the House. Unless we lay it on the Table of the House, I will not be able to give the details.

MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Sir, my second supplementary is, what is the total percentage of population of the SC category people as on date and has not the Government been able to fill up the posts reserved for SCs in spite of repeated assurances given in the House by different Ministries? Sir, this is what I want to know.

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Sir, this is outside the scope of this question. But, in any case, I would like to say that as per the Census of 2001, the population of the Scheduled

Castes is 16.23 per cent. And, as far as the question regarding backlog in Government jobs is concerned, I would like to say that the UPA Government under the Prime Ministership of Dr. Manmohan Singh and the leadership of Shrimati Sonia Gandhi, is committed and special efforts are being made to fill up the backlogs.

श्री कृष्ण लाल वाल्मीकि: महोदय, मैं आपके माध्यम से मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूँ कि केन्द्र सरकार ने सुप्रीम कोर्ट के पूर्व न्यायाधीश श्री डी॰ राजू की अध्यक्षता में एक सदस्यीय आयोग बनाया था कि अनुसूचित जातियों के भीतर वर्गीकरण की जरूरत है या नहीं, तो क्या इस आयोग ने किसी तरह की कोई रिपोर्ट सरकार को पेश की है? अब तक अनुसूचित जातियों में जो अनुसूचित वर्ग हैं, क्या उनको आरक्षण का लाभ मिल रहा है और इसके लिए सरकार क्या विचार रखती है?

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Sir, I need a separate notice for this.

DR. K. KESHAVA RAO: Sir, the grievance is that there is no Action Taken at all on this Commission Report. Which was the last ATR that the Ministry has received which was placed on the Table? That would tell us as to what exactly is the delay.

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Sir, so far as the National Commission for Scheduled Castes is concerned, we have not placed the Action Taken Memorandum and the Report on the Table of the Hosue because, as I said earlier, normally it takes a little time because we just don't have to lay the Report on the the Table of the House, but we also have to give the Action Taken on the recommendations which does take time. The question pertains only to the National Commission for Scheduled Castes. But, before February 2003, there was the unified National Commission for SC/ST and they sent their Report which has been placed on the Table of the House.

SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Sir, through your goodself, I request the hon. Minister to answer a related question which is not beyond, of course, the Ken of the erudite Minister. Sir, it has been reported by the National Institute of Financial Management that the Central Government expenditure on SCs, STs and other *Dalits* has come down from .005 per cent of the total non-Plan revenue to .004 per cent. Whether it is true that the total Central non-Plan expenditure has come down from .005 per cent to .004 per cent as the National Institute of Financial Management has mentioned?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is the hon. Member linking this to the Unstarred Question being answered today?

SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Yes, Sir. Kindly permit this. This is my last supplementary in this House.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. It is conceded.

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Sir, a similar question has been asked at Question No. 256 which comes later. It is asked not by the hon. Member, but by another hon. Member.

MR. CHAIRMAN: In which case, the answer is there in the answer of Question No. 256.

SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Yes, Sir.

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SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR: Yes, Sir.

Setting up of an Institute of studies in Sri Guru Granth Sahib

*243. SHRI TARLOCHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during his visit to Amritsar, the Prime Minister had made a public announcement for setting up of an institute of studies on Sri Guru Granth Sahib in that city;

(b) whether it is also a fact that, for two years, various Department of the Ministry have held many meetings to finalize the project;

(c) whether the land for this project was being given free by the Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar;

(d) what is the fate of this project, which is lingering on for three year; and

(e) whether the Prime Minister would honour his announcement?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) to (e) On the occasion of the 400th Anniversary of the installation of Sri Guru Granth Sahib at the Golden Temple, the Prime Minister had announced that the Government of India would extend all possible help to set up a Centre of Research on Sri Guru Granth Sabhib in the Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU), Amritsar Thereafter, the proposal of the GNDU for setting up of a National Institute of Studies in Sri Guru Granth Sahib (NISSGGS), Amritsar, as an autonomous body, was approved by the University Grants Commission (UGC) during X Plan Period. It was also decided by the UGC that the Expert Committee constituted by the UGC shall act as the Governing Body-cum-Advisory Committee to guide